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# ENVIRONMENTAL

INNOVATIVE INSTRUMENTS AND SENSORS

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# New Instruments



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## DS-2 Sonic Anemometer

Ultrasonic accuracy, no moving parts, runs off 5 AA batteries.



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## CTD Water Conductivity, Temperature and Depth Sensor

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A weighing lysimeter you can transport in a pickup truck and install by hand.



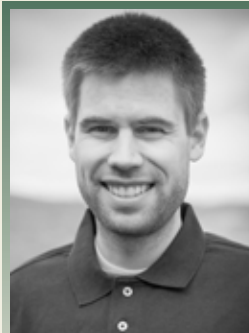
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## SRS Multiband Radiometer

Field-rugged and matchbox-sized for continuous NDVI and PRI at the plot or plant scale.

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SC-1

# Leaf Porometer

The leaf porometer measures stomatal conductance using a sensor head with a fixed diffusion path to the leaf.

## Applications

- Plant ecophysiology
- Plant water stress
- Leaf transpiration
- Stomatal conductance
- Ecosystem water balance
- Herbicide uptake

Steady State Design—  
No fans, tubes, or pumps.

- **Automated**  
Eliminates user subjectivity

- **Low power**  
Runs on four AA batteries

- **Lightweight**  
Weighs about 300 g

- **Reliable data**  
Uses purely first principles method, desiccant chamber improves readings

- **Easy**  
Operate sensor head one-handed

- **Straight forward**  
No knobs to twist, no parameters to adjust

- **Small**  
Controller fits in the palm of your hand



## Specifications

**Conductance range:** 0 to 1000 mmol m<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>. **Accuracy:** +/- 10%. **Operating environment:** 5 to 40 °C, 0 to 100% RH, non-condensing. **Units:** mmol m<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>, m<sup>2</sup> s mol<sup>-1</sup>, s/m. **Sample chamber aperture:** 6.3 mm. **Sensor head cable length:** 1.2 m. **Measurement time in auto mode:** 30 s. **Power:** Four AA alkaline batteries. **Data storage:** 4095 measurements in flash memory.



### Mathematics of the Steady State Porometer

Decagon's Steady State Porometer measures stomatal conductance using a sensor head with a fixed diffusion path to the leaf. It measures the vapor concentration at two different locations in the diffusion path. It computes vapor flux from the vapor concentration measurements and the known conductance of the diffusion path using the following equation:

$$F_{\text{vapor}} = \frac{C_{vL} - C_{v1}}{R_{vs} + R_1} = \frac{C_{v1} - C_{v2}}{R_2}$$

Where  $C_{vL}$  is the vapor concentration in the leaf,  $C_{v1}$  and  $C_{v2}$  are the concentrations at the two sensor locations,  $R_{vs}$  is the stomatal resistance,  $R_1$  is the resistance of the air between the leaf, and  $R_2$  is the resistance between the two sensors. If the temperatures of the two sensors are the same, vapor concentration can be replaced with relative humidity, giving

$$R_{vs} = \frac{1 - h_1}{h_2 - h_1} R_2 - R_1$$

Where  $h_1$  and  $h_2$  are relative humidities at the two sensor locations. Conductance is the reciprocal of resistance, so

$$C_{vs} = \frac{1}{R_{vs}}$$



[learn.decagon.com/porometer](https://learn.decagon.com/porometer)

Watch a 3 minute video to see how the SC-1 uses first-principle methods to measure stomatal conductance.



LP-80

# Ceptometer

The LP-80 automatically calculates:

- Above and below canopy PAR
- LAI - Leaf Area Index
- $\tau$  - ratio between, below, and above canopy PAR
- $F_b$  - fraction beam radiation

All output variables are calculated on the fly and displayed on the user interface. Press a button to log values (~2000 data points).

## Includes:

### External PAR Sensor

2 meter cable with connector to the ceptometer's external port. Calibrated to provide an output of about 0.1 mV per  $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$  (calibration label provided).

### RS-232 cable

- For interfacing between your computer and the ceptometer.

### Carrying case

Polyethylene hardened case with custom foam cutouts allow the instrument and its accessories to be safely stored inside. 3.6 kg, 11.8 x 24 x 109 cm.

## Features:

- Simple and intuitive operation
- No need for post processing data
- Lightweight and portable
- Rugged design made for field applications
- Capable of manual or unattended operation

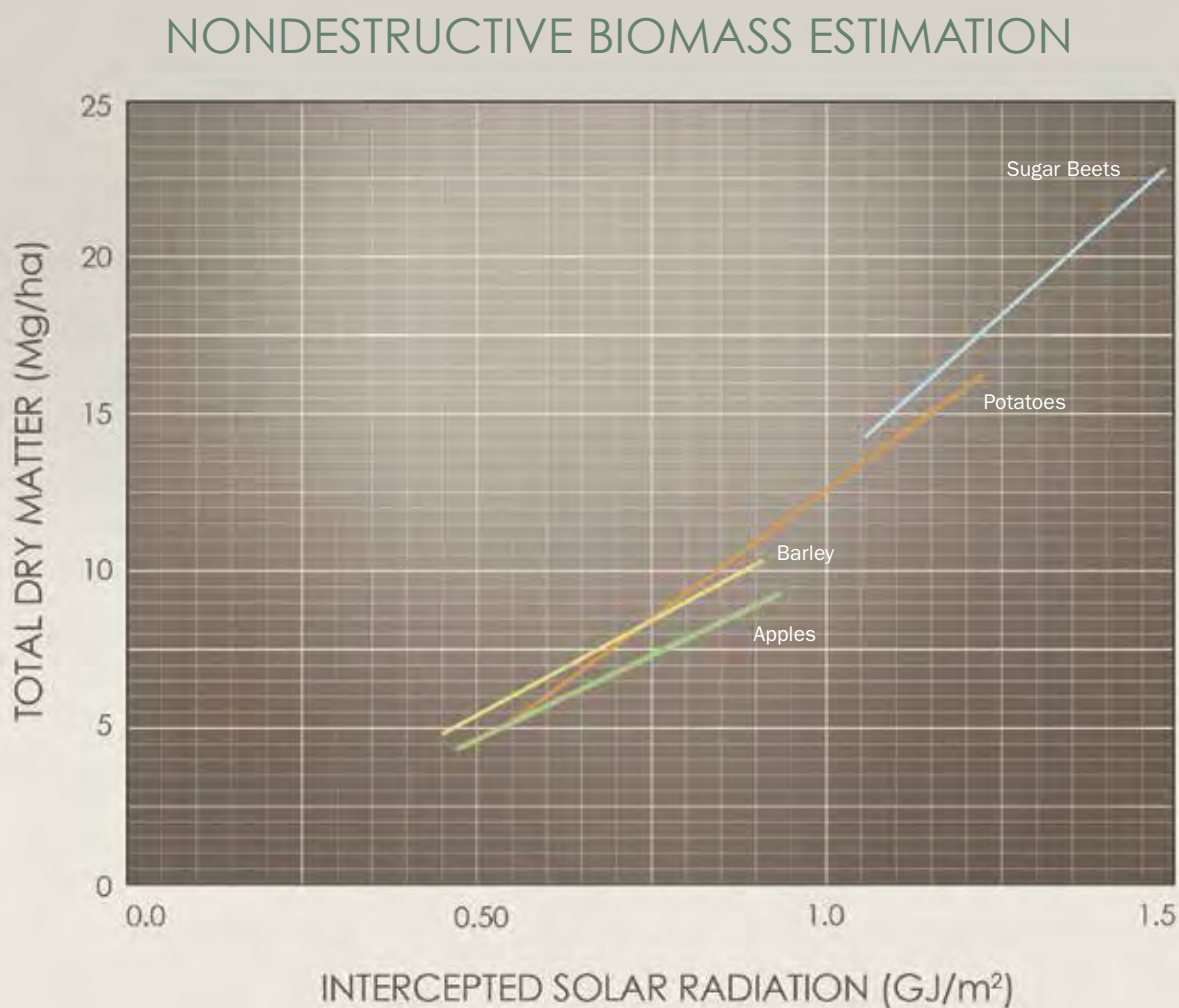


[learn.decagon.com/LP80](http://learn.decagon.com/LP80)

Watch a two minute video on measuring PAR and LAI with the AccuPar LP-80.



Figure 1



#### Use transmitted PAR data to estimate biomass production without destroying the canopy.

The conversion of light energy and atmospheric carbon dioxide to plant biomass is fundamentally important to both agricultural and natural ecosystems. The detailed biophysical and biochemical processes by which this occurs are well understood.

At a less detailed level, though, it is often useful to have a simple model that can be used to understand and analyze parts of an ecosystem.

Such a model has been provided by Monteith (1977). He observed that when biomass accumulation by a plant community is plotted as a function of the accumulated solar radiation intercepted by the community, the result is a straight line. Figure 1 shows Monteith's results.

### Specifications

**Operating environment:** 0 to 5°C, 0 to 100% relative humidity. **Probe length:** 86.5 cm. **Number of sensors:** 80. **Overall length:** 102 cm (40.25 in). **Microcontroller dimensions:** 15.8 x 9.5 x 3.3 cm (6.2 x 3.75 x 1.3 in). **PAR range:** 0 to >2,500  $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ . **Resolution:** 1  $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ . **Minimum spatial resolution:** 1 cm. **Data storage capacity:** 1MB RAM, 9000 readings. **Unattended logging interval:** User selectable, between 1 and 60 minutes. **Instrument weight:** 1.22 kg (2.7 lbs). **Data retrieval:** Direct via RS-232 cable. **Power:** 4 AA Alkaline cells. **External PAR sensor connector:** Locking 3-pin circular connector (2 m cable). **Extension cable option:** 7.6 m (25 ft).

SRS

# Spectral Reflectance Sensor

The SRS Spectral Reflectance Sensor is a rugged multiband radiometer that measures either Normalized Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI) or Photochemical Reflectance Index (PRI) continuously at the plot or plant scale.

## Applications

NDVI and PRI are correlated with canopy variables such as:

- Leaf area index
- Light interception
- Light use efficiency
- Biomass and crop yield
- Crop and forest phenology
- Canopy growth
- Photosynthetic performance
- CO<sub>2</sub> uptake

## Built for Unattended Monitoring

Watertight, weatherproof housing and fully sealed optics mean the SRS can be deployed in the field for an entire growing season or longer.

## Low Cost

Rugged, low cost, research-grade sensors let you explore spatial and temporal variability of canopy structure and function.

## Collect High Spatial Resolution NDVI or PRI Continuously

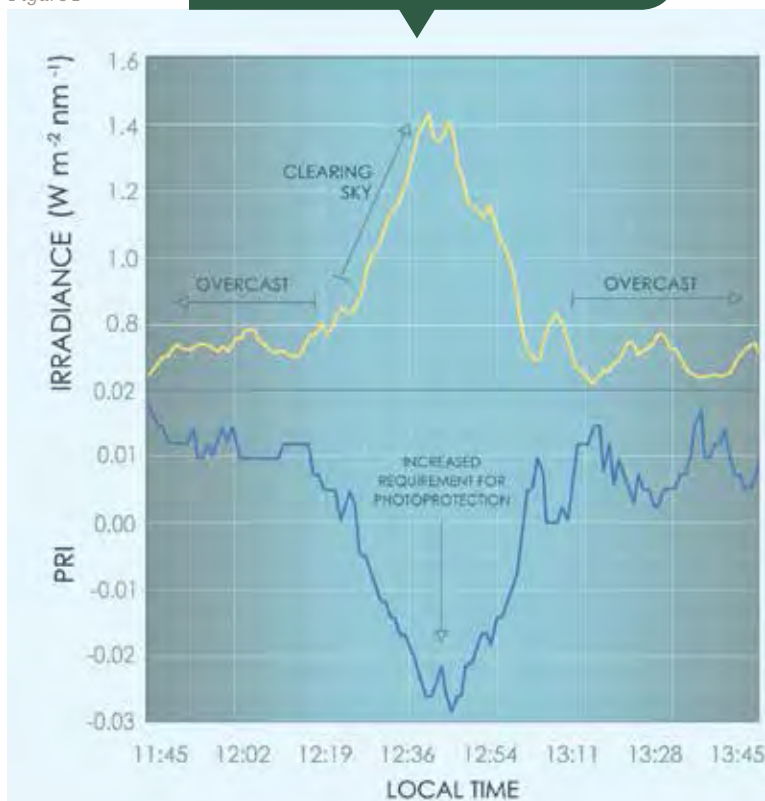
Satellite and aircraft-derived spectral vegetation indices are produced as snapshots in time and have relatively coarse spatial resolutions. The SRS is designed to be mounted directly above the plant or canopy of interest and provides a continuous stream of NDVI or PRI data for as long as it is mounted in the field.

## Specifications

**Accuracy:** 10% or better for spectral irradiance and radiance values. **Dimensions:** 43 x 40 x 27 mm. **Calibration:** NIST traceable calibration to known spectral irradiance and radiance. **Measurement Time:** < 300 ms. **Connector Type:** 3.5 mm (stereo) plug or stripped and tinned wires. **Communication:** SDI-12 digital sensor. **Data logger compatibility:** (not exclusive) Decagon Em50 series, Campbell Scientific. **NDVI bands:** Centered at 630 nm and 800 nm with 50 nm and 40 nm Full Width Half Maximum (FWHM), respectively. **PRI bands:** Centered at 532 nm and 570 nm with 10 nm FWHM.

Use PRI to estimate light use efficiency

Figure 1







**SRS sensors are designed to be in a dual view arrangement (up and down looking) for continuous measurement of percent reflectance.**

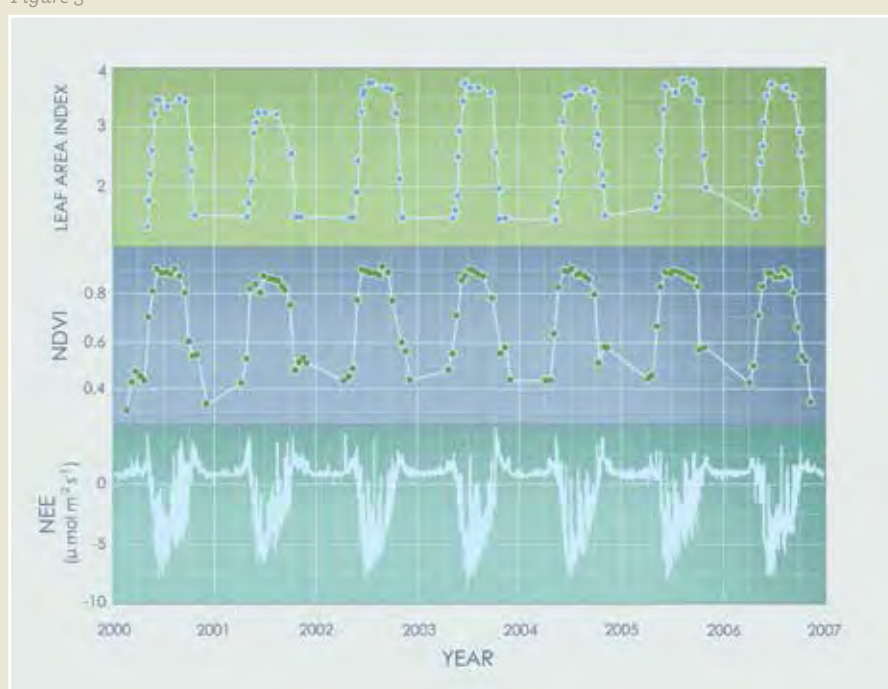
Percent reflectance is the ratio between reflected and incident radiation, measured using downlooking (Figure 1) and uplooking (Figure 2) sensors, respectively. Depending on spatial variability in sky conditions, one uplooking sensor to provide reference values for multiple downlooking sensors.

Connect and Collect: Em50 Data Loggers.

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Figure 3



**Use NDVI to track changes in LAI and seasonal dynamics in ecosystem productivity (Figure 2).**

LWS

# Leaf Wetness Sensor

## Detect Leaf Wetness Duration

The Leaf Wetness Sensor (LWS) is mounted within a plant canopy to detect the presence of moisture on leaves in the canopy and to determine how long leaves remain wet.



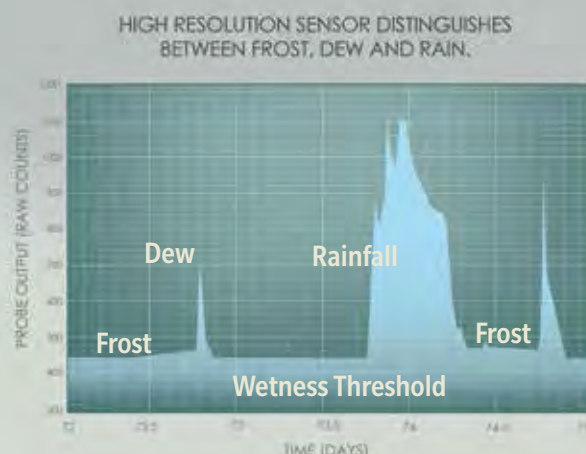
[learn.decagon.com/LWS](https://learn.decagon.com/LWS)

Watch a 4 minute video on the unique measuring capabilities of the Leaf Wetness Sensor.



### Applications:

- Disease forecasting, modeling, and prevention.
- Ecological and agricultural research.
- Estimate canopy intercepted precipitation.
- Crop and orchard management.



### Mimics a real leaf

The LWS gains accuracy by closely approximating the thermal mass and radiative properties of natural leaves.

### Detects dew and frost

Sensor output is proportional to the amount of water on the sensor surface, so you can pinpoint frost, dew, and rainfall.

### Measurement is not resistance based

Rather than measuring changes in resistance, the LWS measures the dielectric constant in a zone extending approximately 1 cm from the upper surface of the sensor. This means that the measurement is not dependent on having water droplets large enough to bridge a gap. It also means no calibration or painting is needed, making the LWS easier to set up and maintain compared to other leaf wetness sensors.

### Specifications

**Measurement Speed:** 10 ms. **Sensor Type:** Frequency domain. **Output:** 320 - 1000 mV @ 3 V excitation. **Operating environment:** -40°C to 50°C. **Expected lifetime:** 2+ years continuous use. **Power:** 2.5 VDC @ 2 mA, to 5 VDC @ 7 mA. **Cable Length:** 5 m standard, custom lengths available. **Connector Type:** 3.5 mm "stereo" plug or stripped and tinned lead wires. **Dimensions:** 11.2 cm x 5.8 cm x .075 cm. **Data logger compatibility:** Decagon's Em50 series loggers and Campbell Scientific loggers.

\* When read with the Em50 data logger, the LWS outputs 445 raw counts when dry. When wet, counts are proportional to the amount of water on the sensor surface.



## Applications:

- Characterize microclimate
- Model PET and ET
- Surface-atmosphere energy exchange
- Transport of mass and energy (particulate matter, gases, heat)
- Monitor fertilizer/pesticide herbicide applications
- Fire weather assessment, fire behavior forecasting
- Mobile sampling platforms

DS-2

# Sonic Anemometer

## Measure Wind Speed, Direction and Maximum Gust

The DS-2 is a simple, compact sonic anemometer that measures horizontal wind speed, direction and maximum gust. The DS-2 is a rugged, research grade sensor.

### Accurate at Low Wind Speeds

The DS-2 has a lower measurement threshold of 0 m/s. Because of friction, cup anemometers have a lower measurement threshold of 0.5 m/s.

### Never Needs Calibration

Sonic anemometers use ultrasonic sound waves to measure wind velocity. Because the measurement is founded on first principles, the sensor doesn't need calibration.

### Requires No Maintenance

No moving parts to oil or replace.

### Uses Very Little Power

Built to run for 6 months or more on the 5 AA batteries in your Em50 series data logger (also compatible with other data loggers).

### Affordable

High accuracy and low per-sensor cost make acquiring vertical wind profiles and greater spatial coverage possible.

## Specifications

### Wind Speed

**Range:** 0 to 30 m/s. **Resolution:** 0.01 m/s. **Accuracy:** 0.30 m/s or 3%, whichever is larger.

### Wind Direction

**Range:** 0 to 359 degrees. **Resolution:** 1 degree. **Accuracy:**  $\pm 3$  degrees.

### Dimensions

**Diameter:** 100 mm. **Sensor body height (w/mount):** 155 mm.

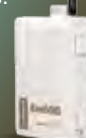
**Communication:** SDI-12. **Maximum sampling speed:** 1 Hz. **Connector types:** 3.5 mm (stereo) plug or stripped & tinned lead wires (pigtail).

**Data logger compatibility:** Decagon's Em50 series loggers and Campbell Scientific loggers.



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LWS & Sonic Anemometer



# Environmental Sensors

Characterize the Environment Above the Soil Surface



## VP-3

### Temperature, Relative Humidity, Vapor Pressure

Rugged stainless steel sensor measures the temperature of soil and other materials. Completely waterproof, submersible, and designed for continuous underground use.

**Probe RH range:** 0 to 100% RH.

**Temperature range:** -40 to 80°C.

**Vapor Pressure range:** 0-47 kPa.

**Temperature accuracy:**  $\pm 1^\circ\text{C}$ .

**RH accuracy:**  $\pm 2\%$  from 10-90% RH,  $\pm 3\%$  from 0-10% RH, and 90-100% RH.

*Complete accuracy specifications online.*



## Cup Anemometer

### Wind Speed and Direction

Measures both wind speed (using windcups and a magnetic switch) and wind direction (with wind vane). Includes sealed stainless steel bearings for long life. The range and accuracy specifications of this unit have been verified in wind-tunnel tests (information available upon request).

**Resolution:** 0.45 m/s (1 mph).

**Range:** 0 to 129 mph.

**Accuracy:**  $\pm 5\%$ .



## PAR Photon Flux Sensor or Pyranometer

### Total Solar Radiation or Photosynthetically Active Radiation

Both sensors are completely water proof, submersible and designed for continuous outdoor use.

**Cable length:** 5 m.

**PAR Range:** 0 to 2000  $\mu\text{mol}/\text{m}^2\text{s}$ .

**PYR Range:** 0 to 1750  $\text{Wm}^{-2}$ .

**Dimensions:** 24 mm diameter, 29 mm height.

**Accuracy:**  $\pm 5\%$ .



Our environmental sensors allow you to measure key variables for modeling evapotranspiration or can be used in combination with other above or below ground sensors to better understand processes that are linked across the soil-plant-atmosphere continuum. Measure relative humidity, precipitation, PAR, wind speed, and more.



## RT-1

### Soil Temperature

Rugged Stainless steel sensor measures the temperature of soil and other materials. Completely waterproof, submersible, and designed for continuous underground use.

**Resolution:** 0.1°C.  
**Range:** -40 to 80°C.  
**Temperature accuracy:** ±1°C.  
**Type:** Thermistor.

## ECRN-100

### High-Resolution Rain Gauge

High-resolution rain gauge with 0.2 mm (0.01 in) resolution.

**Resolution:** 0.2 mm.  
**Funnel size:** 17x14.2 cm.

## ECRN-50

### Low-Resolution Rain Gauge

Small self-emptying rain gauge for measuring irrigation events or precipitation.

**Resolution:** 1 mm.  
**Funnel size:** 5x10 cm.

## ProCheck

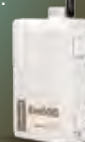
### Handheld Reader for all Decagon Sensors

Indispensable tool for large installations. This staff favorite allows you to:

- Take an instantaneous reading of any Decagon sensor.
- Check summary statistics.
- Know if the installation is good before you start backfilling.
- Troubleshoot sensors in the field.
- Set SDI-12 addresses.
- Store data from field.

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# Soil Moisture Sensors



Measurement & Benefits	Range	Accuracy
<div>◀ <b>GS3</b> Volumetric Water Content, Electrical Conductivity, Dielectric Permittivity, Temperature.  Benefits: Rugged stainless steel and epoxy design, SDI-12 compatible.</div>	VWC: 0–100%.  Apparent dielectric permittivity ( $\epsilon_a$ ): 1 (air) to 80.  EC: 0 to 25 dS/m (bulk).  Temperature: -40 to 50°C.	VWC: $\pm 3\%$ , typical mineral soils up to 8 dS/m.  ( $\epsilon_a$ ): $\pm 1 \epsilon_a$ (unitless) from 1–40 (soil range), $\pm 15\%$ from 40–80.  EC: $\pm 5\%$ from 0 to 5 dS/m, $\pm 10\%$ from 15 to 23 dS/m.  Temperature: $\pm 1^\circ\text{C}$ .
<div>◀ <b>EC-5</b> Volumetric Water Content.  Benefits: All purpose, least expensive soil moisture sensor.</div>	VWC: 0–100%.	VWC: $\pm 3\%$ , typical mineral soils up to 8 dS/m.  VWC Rockwool: $\pm 3\%$ VWC, 0.5 to 8 dS/m.  VWC Potting soil: $\pm 3\%$ VWC, 3 to 14 dS/m.
<div>◀ <b>10HS</b> Volumetric Water Content, Dielectric Permittivity.  Benefits: Largest volume of influence decreases effects of heterogeneity.</div>	VWC: 0–57%.  Apparent dielectric permittivity ( $\epsilon_a$ ): 1 (air) to 50.	VWC: $\pm 3\%$ , typical mineral soils up to 8 dS/m.  ( $\epsilon_a$ ): $\pm 1$ from $\epsilon_a$ of 2 to 10. $\pm 2.5$ from $\epsilon_a$ of 10 to 50.
<div>◀ <b>5TE</b> Volumetric Water Content, Electrical Conductivity, Dielectric Permittivity, Temperature.</div>	VWC: 0–100%.  Apparent dielectric permittivity ( $\epsilon_a$ ): 1 (air) to 80.  EC: 0 to 23 dS/m (bulk).  Temperature: -40 to 50°C.	VWC: $\pm 3\%$ , typical mineral soils up to 8 dS/m.  ( $\epsilon_a$ ): $\pm 1 \epsilon_a$ (unitless) from 1–40 (soil range) $\pm 15\%$ from 40–80.  Bulk EC: $\pm 10\%$ from 0 to 7 dS/m, user calibration required above 7dS/m.  Temperature: $\pm 1^\circ\text{C}$ .
<div>◀ <b>5TM</b> Volumetric Water Content, Dielectric Permittivity, Temperature.  Benefits: Include temperature dependencies in your research study, SDI-12 compatible.</div>	VWC: 0–100%.  Apparent dielectric permittivity ( $\epsilon_a$ ): 1 (air) to 80.  Temperature: -40 to 50°C.	VWC: $\pm 3\%$ , typical mineral soils up to 8 dS/m.  ( $\epsilon_a$ ): $\pm 1 \epsilon_a$ (unitless) from 1–40 (soil range) $\pm 15\%$ from 40–80.  Temperature: $\pm 1^\circ\text{C}$ .
<div>◀ <b>MPS-2</b> Soil Matric Potential, Temperature.  Benefits: Maintenance-free water potential and soil temperature monitoring measurements that do not drift over time, SDI-12 compatible.</div>	Soil water potential ( $\Psi$ ): -10 to -500kPa (pF 2.01 to pF 3.71).  Temperature: -40 to 50°C.	$\Psi$ : $\pm 25\%$ of reading from -10 to -100 kPa.*  Temperature: $\pm 1^\circ\text{C}$ .

*\*Accuracy significantly improved with custom calibration.*





Decagon's first soil moisture sensors were built to produce TDR-quality data without the cost and complexity. Over thirteen years, we've refined and extended the technology.

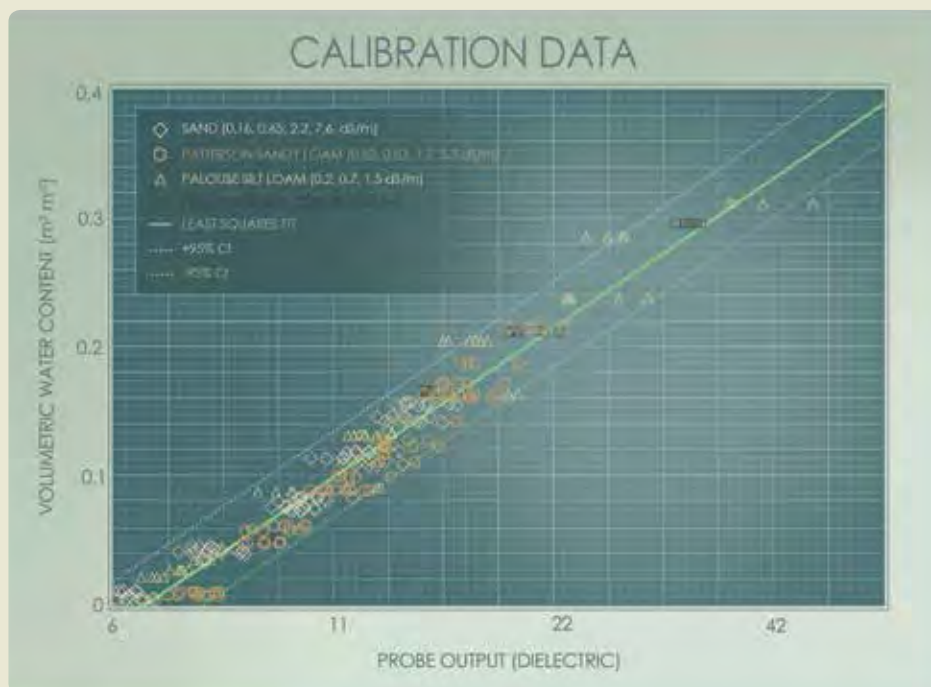
**Hundreds of thousands of sensors later, today's ECH<sub>2</sub>O soil moisture probes are:**

- Publication ready: literally thousands of peer-reviewed publications use Decagon soil moisture probes
- Not sensitive to soil salinity and soil texture in typical soils
- Calibrated in a variety of soils for accurate results under actual field conditions
- Plug-and-play with Decagon data loggers no programming necessary

**Calibrated in a variety of soils for accurate results.**

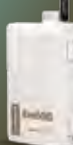
Decagon has experimental sites and a soils lab to test how these sensors work in a variety of soils and under real growing conditions.

Decagon's soil moisture sensors are calibrated using four different soil textures with varying EC values.



Decagon's factory calibration integrates samples from clay, silt loam, sandy loam, and sand at a wide variety of EC values. The only time that you might need to do a custom calibration is if you're in a non-typical soil, in soils with high electrical conductivity (about 8 dS/m) or you need better than +3% accuracy. We'll teach you how to do these custom calibrations at [learn.decagon.com/custom-calibration](https://learn.decagon.com/custom-calibration).

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**Questions about the data?**

Contact Decagon for additional calibrations for soilless substrates and other media.

Visit [learn.decagon.com/custom-calibration](https://learn.decagon.com/custom-calibration) for a white paper on doing a calibration for your specific soils.

# Where's the Fertilizer?

## Using Electrical Conductivity to Tell the Rest of the Story

Electrical conductivity (EC) measurements go beyond soil moisture to show what is happening to salts in your soil profile. Consider the following Soil Moisture Data Only and Solution EC Values graphs:

### Soil Moisture Data Only

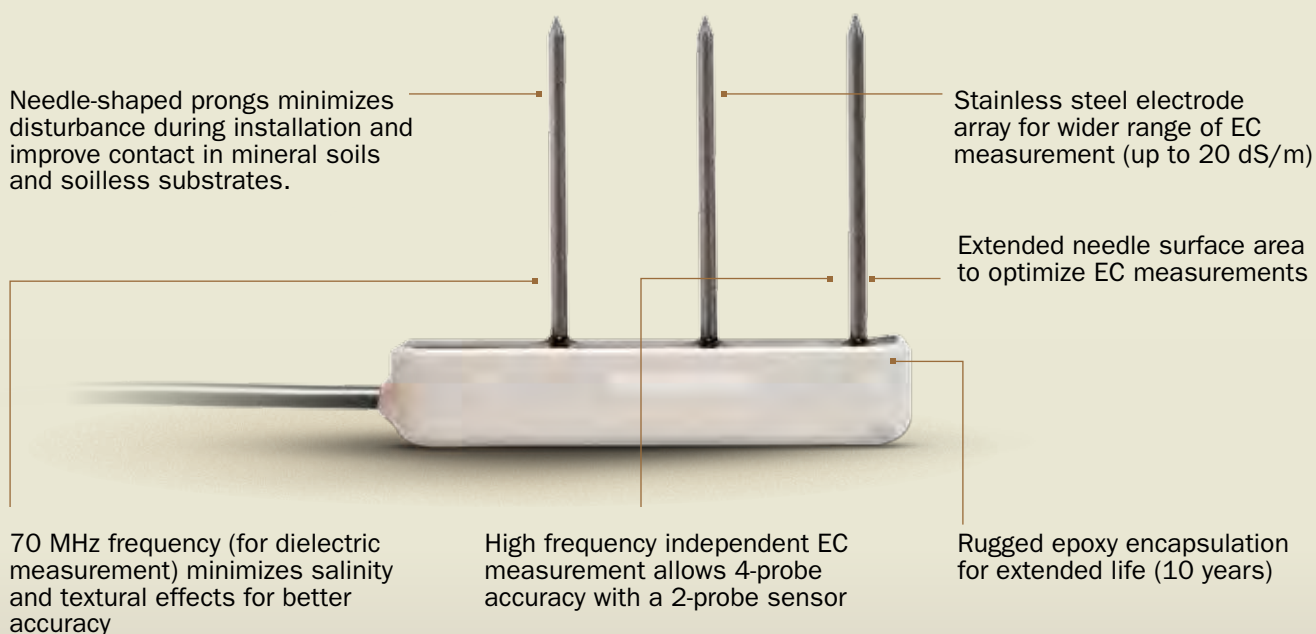
- No indication of nutrient leaching
- No indication of drainage



Soil water content values at three depths over time immediately following fertilization. But where's the fertilizer? Soil moisture values give no indication of nutrient leaching or drainage.

### Sensors that measure EC

GS3





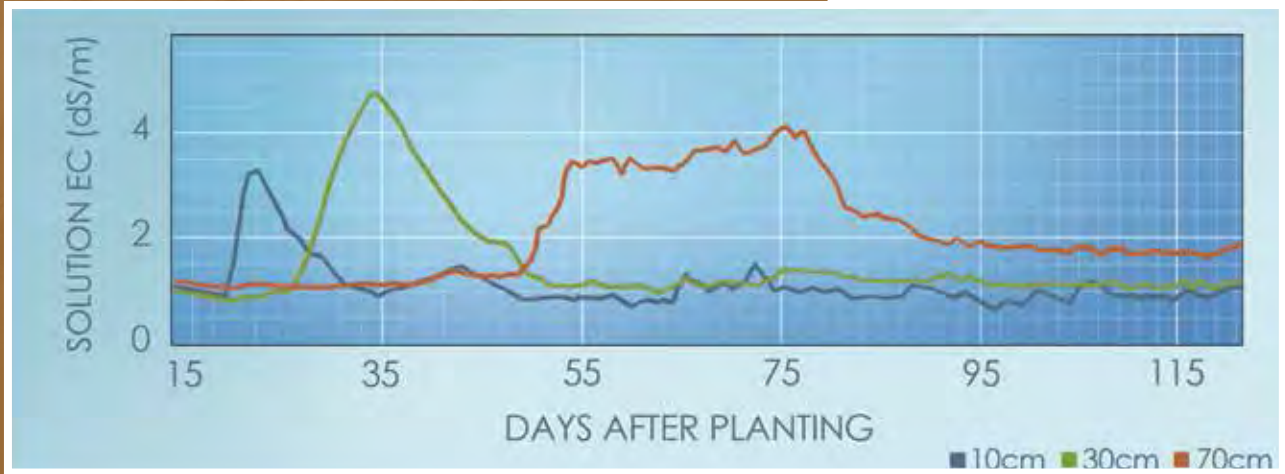
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## Solution EC Values

- Clear indication of nutrient loss in EC data
- Clear indication of drainage

**One Key Benefit:** EC can help you track nutrient leaching.



Measurements of bulk EC and volumetric water content from a GS3 were used to calculate solution EC at the same three depths. Note how the fertilizer stays in the root zone temporarily, but is leached out during an irrigation event.

## Sensors that measure EC | ES2



ES-2P version designed to be screwed into a T-connector to continuously measure conductivity of irrigation water



Epoxy overmold allows sensor to remain continuously submerged

22 mm diameter to fit into tight spaces

Ruggedized sensor can survive freezing



Four probe Wenner array measures up to 120 dS/m

## Other Decagon Sensors that Measure EC:

### 5TE

Soil Moisture  
Temperature  
Electrical Conductivity

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### G3

Deep Drainage  
Temperature  
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### CTD

Water Depth  
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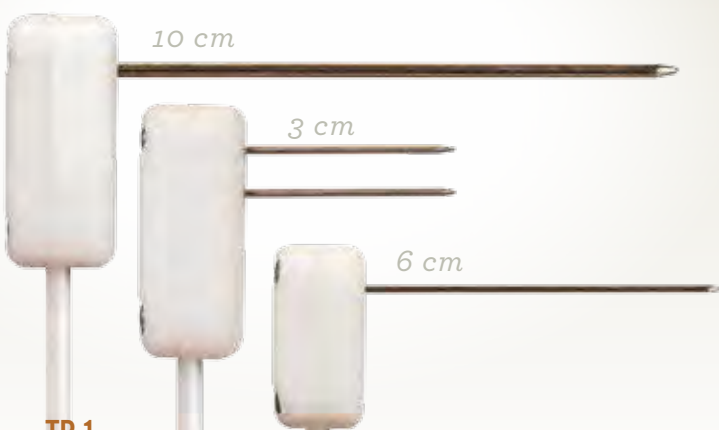
# KD2 Pro Model Heat Movement

Get A Handle On Heat Transfer.

EACH KD2 PRO COMES FACTORY CALIBRATED AND INCLUDES PERFORMANCE VERIFICATION STANDARDS

Measure heat transfer in the soil-plant-atmosphere continuum with the KD2 Pro Thermal Properties Analyzer. The KD2 Pro has three interchangeable sensors that measure thermal conductivity, thermal diffusivity, and specific heat (heat capacity), along with data storage capabilities and an automatic data collection mode.

- Heated Needle Technology.
- Requires No Calibration.
- Utility Software Allows for Data Downloads.
- Small Needle Minimizes Soil Disturbance.



## TR-1

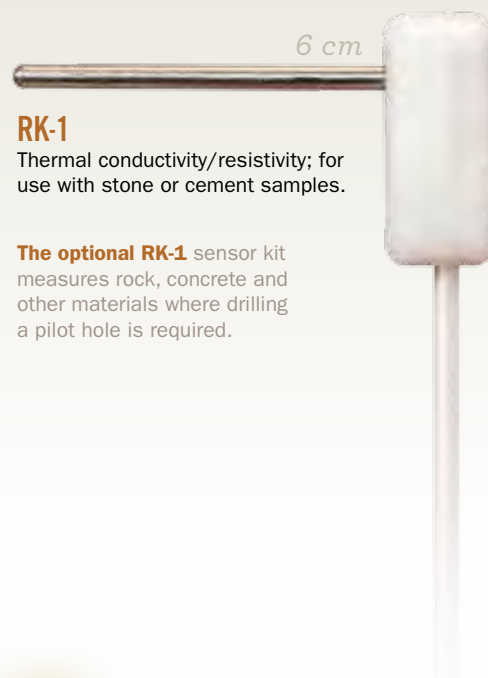
Thermal Conductivity (K) or Thermal Resistivity (R) of soil or porous materials. ASTM D5334-08 and IEEE 442-1981 compliant.

## SH-1

Thermal Conductivity (K), Thermal Diffusivity (D), and Specific Heat (C).

## KS-1

Thermal Conductivity (K) of liquids.



## RK-1

Thermal conductivity/resistivity; for use with stone or cement samples.

**The optional RK-1** sensor kit measures rock, concrete and other materials where drilling a pilot hole is required.



[learn.decagon.com/KD2pro](http://learn.decagon.com/KD2pro)

Watch a three and a half minute video about measuring soil thermal conductivity with the KD2 Pro.

## Specifications

**Measurement time:** 90 seconds to 10 minutes. **Accuracy\*:** Conductivity/Resistivity:  $\pm 5$  to  $\pm 10\%$ , Thermal Diffusivity:  $\pm 10\%$ , Specific Heat:  $\pm 10\%$ . **Ranges\*:** K:  $0.02$  to  $4 \text{ W m}^{-1} \text{ C}^{-1}$ , D:  $0.1$  to  $1.0 \text{ mm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$ , R:  $0.5$  to  $50 \text{ mC W}^{-1}$ , C:  $0.5$  to  $4 \text{ MJ m}^{-3} \text{ C}^{-1}$ . **Data storage:** 4095 readings. **Sensor environment:**  $-50$  to  $150^\circ\text{C}$ . **Case size:**  $15.5 \times 9.5 \times 3.5 \text{ cm}$ . **Power:** 4 AA Batteries **Cable:** 1 m.

*\*Accuracy and measurement range vary with sensor type.*



## Thermal Resistivity of Porous Materials (Soils) Change with Changes in Density, Water Content, Temperature and Composition

Soils and other porous materials vary in density, water content, temperature and composition, which affects the thermal resistivity of porous material. Table 1 shows thermal properties of typical soil constituents. These constituents occur as mixtures in typical porous materials. The thermal resistivity of the mixture is quite difficult to compute, since it depends, not only on the thermal resistivities of the components, but also on their geometric arrangement. Methods for making this computation are given by Campbell and Norman (1998) and deVries (1963). These methods were used to compute the thermal resistivity of soils as they vary with water content, composition, density and temperature. The results of these computations are shown in Figures 1, 2 and 3.

In general, the thermal resistivity of a mixture is strongly influenced by the component with the highest resistivity. Dry quartz sand and dry loam soil have about the same resistivity, even though the resistivity of the minerals differs by a factor of 3 (Figure 1 and Table 1). As the limiting resistivity becomes larger, differences in the resistivities of the other components have a larger effect. For example, dry quartz and loam differ in resistivity by about 10%, while water saturated quartz sand has about half the resistivity of saturated loam (Figure 1).

As the water content of unsaturated porous materials increases, a threshold is reached where resistivity decreases rapidly with increasing water content. This is evident in all three figures. This threshold is more closely related to hydraulic than thermal properties of the material. It is the water content at which liquid water can flow across particle surfaces to re-evaporate and transport latent heat across pores in the medium.

In other words, the soil acts like a “heat pipe,” an engineering device which makes use of latent heat transport for rapid and effective heat transfer. In a moist soil at room temperature 10 to 20% of the total heat transport is as latent heat through the pores. This portion of the heat transport is strongly temperature dependent, roughly doubling for each 10°C temperature rise.

The effective thermal resistivity of moist, air-filled pores is about the same as the thermal resistivity of water at 60°C, so, at this temperature, changing the water content of the material does not affect its resistivity. In Fig. 3, the 50°C curve shows almost no change in resistivity with increasing water content once the water content is high enough to sustain the liquid return flow within the pores.

Figure 1

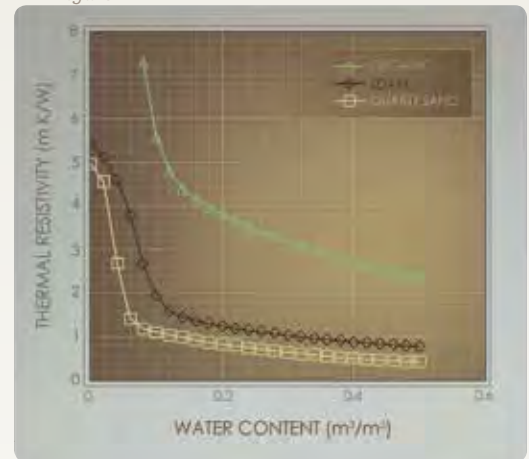


Figure 2

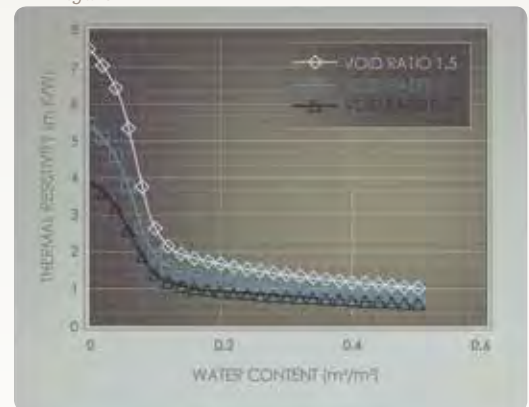


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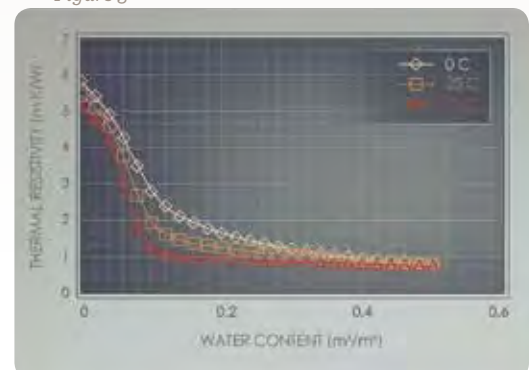


Table 1. Thermal properties of soil materials ( $T$  is Celsius temperature) [modified from Campbell and Norman, 1998]

MATERIAL	DENSITY ( $\text{M gm}^{-3}$ )	SPECIFIC HEAT ( $\text{J g}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}$ )	THERMAL COND. ( $\text{W m}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}$ )	THERM. RESISTIVITY ( $\text{m K W}^{-1}$ )
SOIL MINERALS	2.65	0.87	2.5	0.40
GRANITE	2.64	0.82	3.0	0.33
QUARTZ	2.66	0.80	8.8	0.11
GLASS	2.71	0.84	1.0	1.00
ORGANIC MATTER	1.30	1.92	0.25	4.00
WATER	1.00	4.18	$0.56+0.0018T$	1.65 @25C
ICE	0.92	$2.1+0.0073T$	$2.22-0.011T$	0.45 @ 0C
AIR (101 kPa)	$(1.29-0.0041T * 10^{-3})$	1.01	$0.024+0.00007T$	38.8 @25C

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3. De Vries, D. A. 1963. Thermal properties of soil. In Physics of Plant Environment. W. R. van Wijk (ed.) North Holland Pub. Co. Amsterdam pp. 210-235

WP4C

# Essential Water Potential Data



Measure the water potential of soil, soilless substrate, plant tissue, or any porous material in 5 to 10 minutes.



Measure water potential by determining the relative humidity of the air above a sample in a closed chamber.



Make fast, accurate water potential measurements in the lab.

## Applications:

- Soil moisture characteristic curves
- Root zone water potential profiles
- Expansive soil characterization
- Seed priming
- Seed water relations

AOAC-APPROVED METHOD, CONFORMS TO ASTM 6836

## WP4C New Features:

**Precise Mode** Verifies full equilibrium before displaying a final reading.

**Speedy Equilibration** New hydrophobic teflon impregnated nickel alloy sample chamber coating reduces equilibration time.

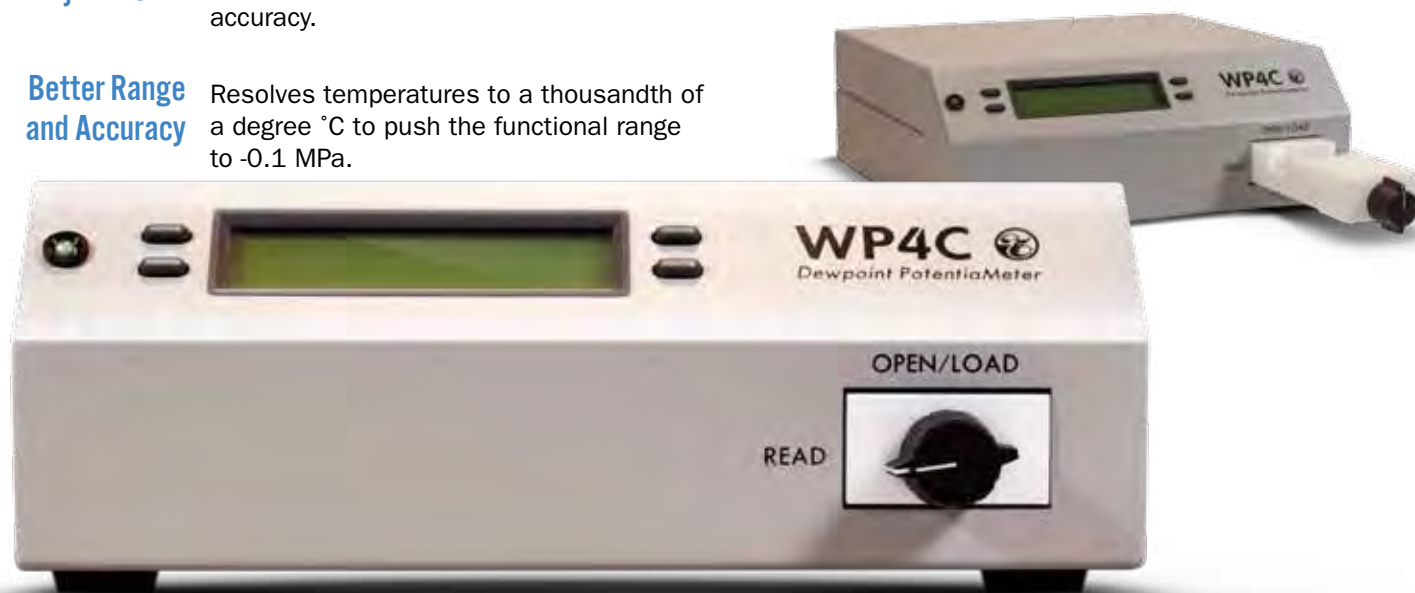
**Finely-Tuned Adjustments** New 24-bit ADC electronics allow precision calibration and  $\pm 0.05$  MPa (or better) accuracy.

**Better Range and Accuracy** Resolves temperatures to a thousandth of a degree °C to push the functional range to -0.1 MPa.



[learn.decagon.com/WP4C](http://learn.decagon.com/WP4C)

Watch R&D scientist Dr. Doug Cobos discuss the advancements made with the new WP4C.



## Specifications

**Operating environment:** 5 to 43°C (41 to 110°F). **Temperature control:** 15 to 40°C  $\pm 0.2^\circ\text{C}$ . **Sensors:** 1. Infrared temperature 2. Chilled-mirror dewpoint. **Range:** 0 to -300 MPa\*. **Accuracy:**  $\pm 0.05$  MPa from 0 to -5 MPa,  $\pm 1\%$  from -5 to -300 MPa. **Read time:** Typically 5 to 10 minutes. **Interface cable:** Serial cable (included). **Data communications:** RS232 compatible, 8-bit ASCII code, 9600 baud, no parity, 1 stop bit. **Weight:** 3.2 kg (5.2 kg shipping weight). **Universal power:** 110-220V AC, 50/60Hz. **Sample size:** 7 ml. **Calibration standard:** 0.5 molal KCl (-2.22MPa).

25 plastic cups and 10 stainless steel cups included.

\* WP4C will read to 0 MPa, but readings of samples wetter than -0.1 MPa will have an increasing, and typically unacceptable, percentage of error. Some users may be able to make useful measurements in samples wetter than -0.1 MPa using special techniques. For more information, see the WP4C User Manual.

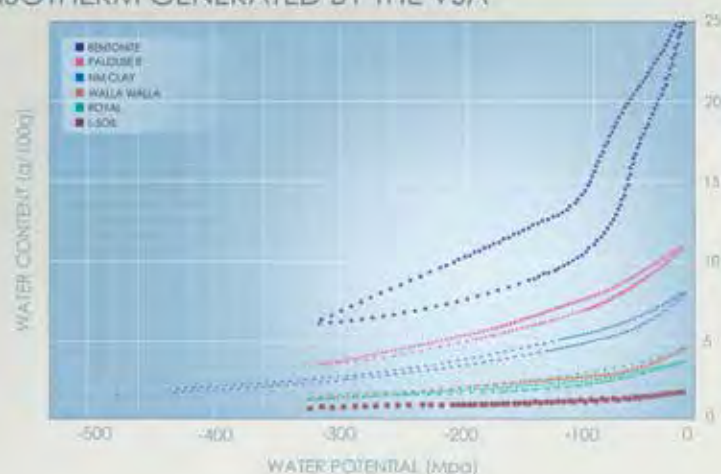


## Rapid isotherm generation

Fast expansive soil characterization

# Vapor Sorption Analyzer

ISOTHERM GENERATED BY THE VSA



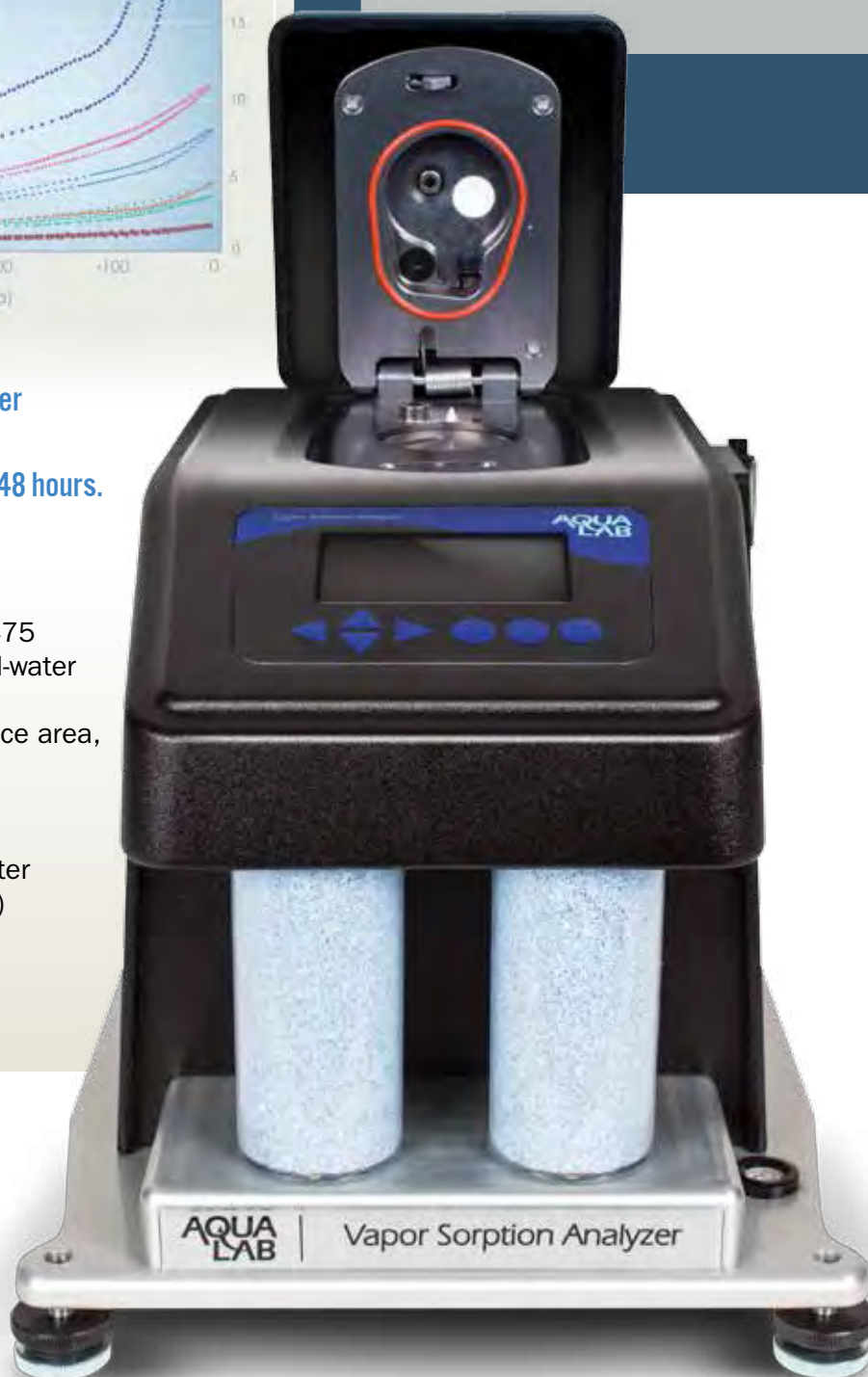
Generates up to 200 data points (water potential vs. water content) for both adsorption and desorption within 24 - 48 hours.

The VSA works in the dry (-10 to -475 MPa) range. Create automated soil-water characteristic curves and generate correlations with clay activity, surface area, and swelling potential.

Hold humidity constant and look at the kinetics of soil taking up water into its crystal structure (2:1 clays) and monitor water content change over time.

### Applications:

- Expansive Soil Characterization
- Soil Water Characteristic Curves
- Vapor Sorption Dynamics



[learn.decagon.com/VSA](https://learn.decagon.com/VSA)

### Specifications

**Range:** -10 to -475 MPa. **Accuracy:**  $\pm 1$  MPa or  $\pm 1\%$ . **Temperature operating range:** 15 to 40°C. **Size:** W 25.4 x L 38.1 x H 30.5 cm (10x15x12 in.) **Weight:** 19 kg.

# HyProp

## Moisture Characteristic curves in the Tensiometer Range

Forget the pain of using pressure plates. Use HyProp to generate detailed soil-water characteristic curves.

Just take your undisturbed sample, saturate the sample, insert the measurement head, place the HyProp on the balance, and in less than a week, you have a detailed moisture release curve.



[learn.decagon.com/fullcurve](https://learn.decagon.com/fullcurve)

Watch a short video on how the HyProp and WP4C work together.

### Why Choose HyProp?

- Uses undisturbed soil samples.
- Works in all soil types.
- Bonus feature gives unsaturated hydraulic conductivity values for the soil sample.

### Specifications

**Range:** +2 to -120 kPa / -250 kPa.

**Resolution:** 0.001 kPa.

**Accuracy:**  $\pm 0.15$  kPa.

Optional Laboratory Scale Specifications

**Measuring range:** 0 to 2.5 kg.

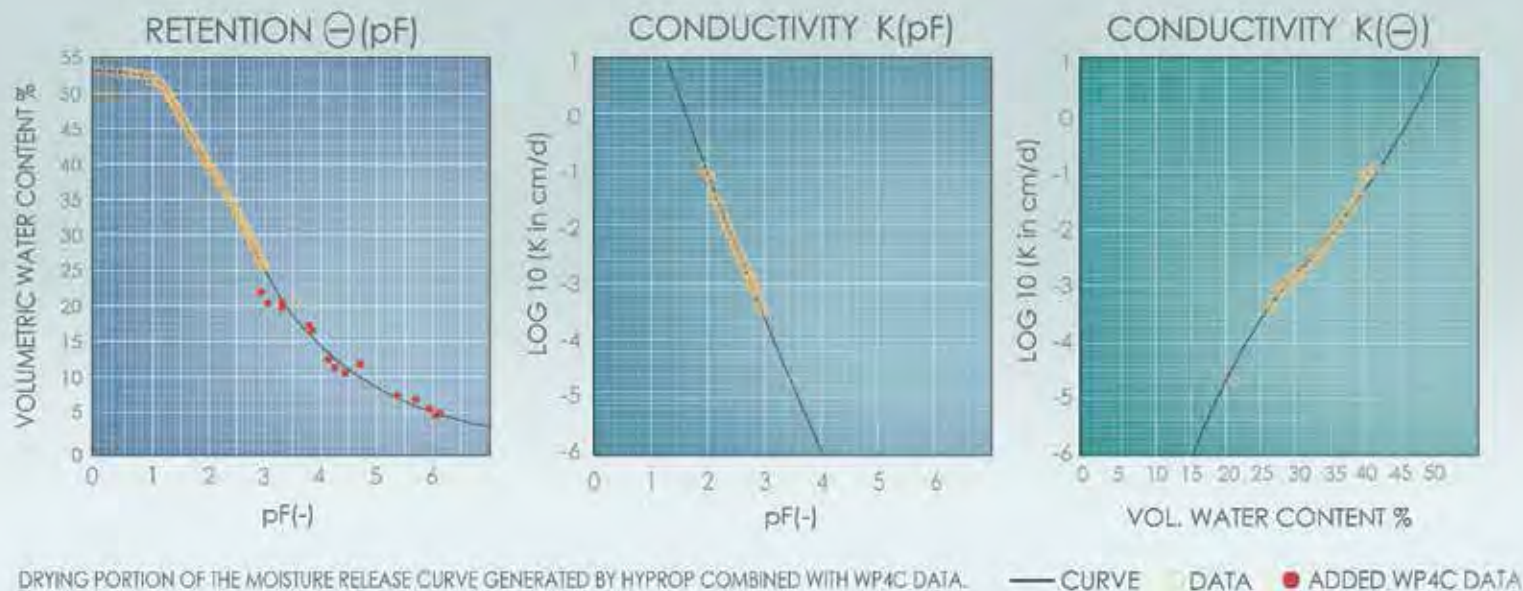
**Resolution:** 0.01 g.

**Accuracy:**  $\pm 0.1$  g.

**Interface:** RS232.



## CREATE COMPLETE MOISTURE RELEASE CURVES WITH WP4C AND HYPROP



Analyze all your data together.



HyProp-Fit Free Download  
[learn.decagon.com/hypropfit](http://learn.decagon.com/hypropfit)

HyProp-Fit software (a free download) makes it easy to use the HyProp with the new WP4C to generate a complete moisture release curve and parameters for use in modeling.

HyProp-Fit takes data generated by the HyProp, WP4C, tensiometer, or any other water potential instrument and creates a moisture release curve from the combined data.

Generate curve fits based on van Genuchten, van Genuchten Bimodal, Brooks and Corey, and other models. HyProp-Fit finds the optimal parameter sets without initial parameter guesses.

## Tensiometers

# Field Water Potential Monitoring

UMS designs and manufactures tensiometers to make research easier. The pressure transducer-based sensors allow for precise measurement of water potential. A variety of sizes give you options for deployment from field to lab. Their newest tensiometer, the TS1, allows yearlong field deployment after installation.

### T8 Tensiometer

Includes temperature measurement, refilling indicator and digital communication (SDI-12, RS485).

### TS1

The world's first smart tensiometer. Designed to be deployed and left in the field, the TS1 logs water potential data, self refills, monitors temperature, and self-empties when the temperature nears freezing to avoid damage.

### T5/T5x

Mini-tensiometers are essential for the measurement of water potential in small spaces such as soil columns, potted plants or laboratory water flow experiments.

### T4 Tensiometer

Standard tensiometer with external refilling option.



### Infield 7 Handheld

Digital display interfaces with all UMS tensiometers for spot measurements.

### Tensiometer Specifications

**Range:** +100 to -85 kPa (-200 kPa T5x\*). **Accuracy:**  $\pm 0.5$  kPa. **Resolution:** 0.1 kPa. **Hysteresis:** typ. 0.1% FS. **Stability over one year:** typ. 0.5% FS. **Sensor:** Piezoresistive pressure transducer, overpressure max  $\pm 3000$  hPa. **Electronics:** Wheatstone full bridge. **Compatibility:** Infield 7 and Campbell Scientific data loggers.

*\* This range is possible with the T5x only, depending on refill.*

### Related Instrument



### MPS-2

Water potential monitoring in vadose zone, crop stress, waste water drainage studies, irrigation monitoring and control, and plant water availability.

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# Measure Soil Hydraulic Conductivity

Quantify spatial variability of soil hydraulic conductivity.

## Water movement in soil is spatially variable

The Mini Disk Infiltrometer is a quick way to test hydraulic conductivity and infiltration rates.

## Backpackable

Small, compact, and simple, the Mini Disk Infiltrometer is a true field instrument. It can be tossed into a backpack with a bottle of water.

## Quick setup

Just fill the reservoir, set the suction, and start measuring infiltration. You don't have to pre-saturate the disk.

## Straightforward calculations

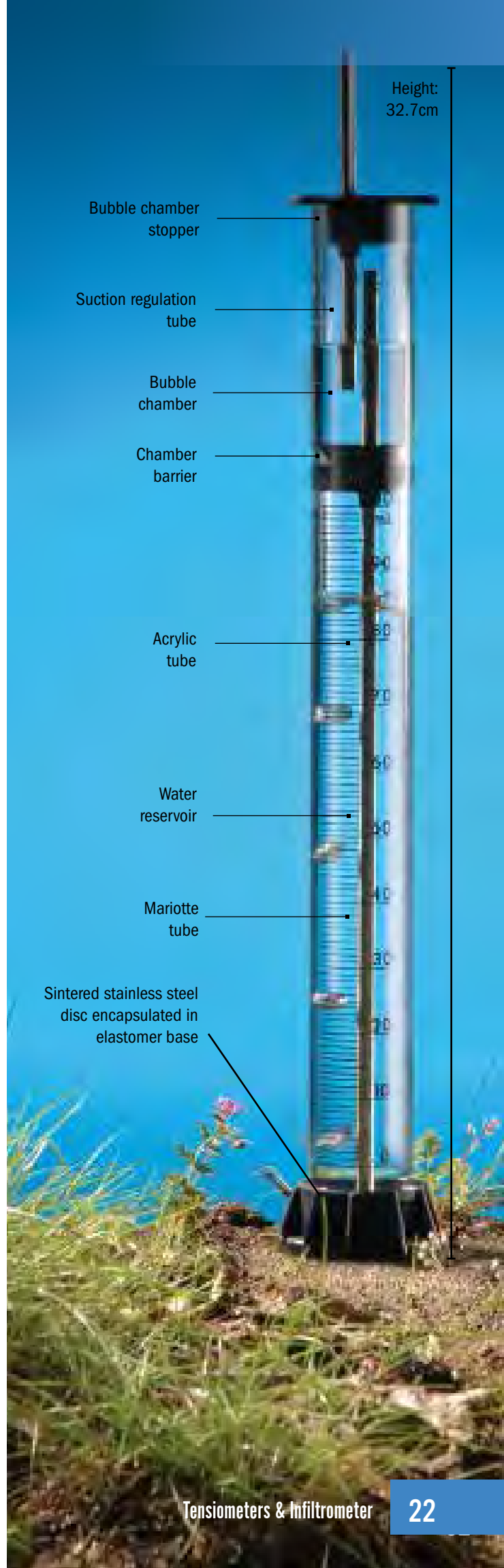
Enter infiltration and elapsed time data in the included spreadsheet calculator to find hydraulic conductivity ( $K(\Psi)$ ).

## Reliable

Both scientists and technicians have used the Mini Disk Infiltrometer to design irrigation systems, demonstrate hydraulic conductivity, evaluate erosion hazards, and gauge the impact of forest fires.

## Specifications

**Total Length:** 32.7 cm. **Suction Range:** 0.5 to 7 cm of suction. **Water Volume for Operation:** 135 mL. **Diameter of Sintered Stainless Steel Disc:** 4.5 cm diameter, 3 mm width.



# KSat

## Measure Saturated Hydraulic Conductivity

The KSat is an instrument that measures the saturated hydraulic conductivity (Ksat) of soil samples. Hydraulic conductivity—the rate at which water flows through soil—is a key component in most models that simulate water flow, solute transport, and runoff.

THE KSAT IS BASED ON THE INVERSION OF DARCY'S LAW AND COMPLIES WITH DIN 19683-9 AND DIN 18130-1

### Applications:

- Soil saturated hydraulic conductivity measurements
- Hydrology modeling
- Irrigation management
- Soil geotechnical testing
- Landfill cover infiltration testing

- **Completely integrated package**  
Everything you need, right out of the box.
- **Small footprint**  
Fully integrated to use minimal bench space.
- **Fully automated**  
No timing outflow, weighing beakers, or making judgement calls.
- **Better data**  
Improves accuracy by reducing user error.
- **Wide range**  
Conductivities from 10,000 to 0.1 cm/d.
- **Easy-to-use software**  
Performs all calculations.
- **Constant and falling head methods**



## Specifications

**Measurable Ksat values (min.):** 0.1 cm/d (0.004 in/d). **Measurable Ksat values (max.):** 10000 cm/d (3937 in/d). **Hydraulic conductivity (Ks) of the porous plate:** 20000 cm/d (10000 in/d). **Pressure Sensor Accuracy:** 1 Pa (0.01 cm WC or 0.0001 psi). **Temperature sensor accuracy:** 0.2°C (0.4°F). **Sample ring (also fits with UMS HyProp) volume:** 250 mL (50 mm H X 80 mm i.d.). **Software requirements:** Windows 7 and later Microsoft Framework 3.5.





## HyProp Completes the Picture

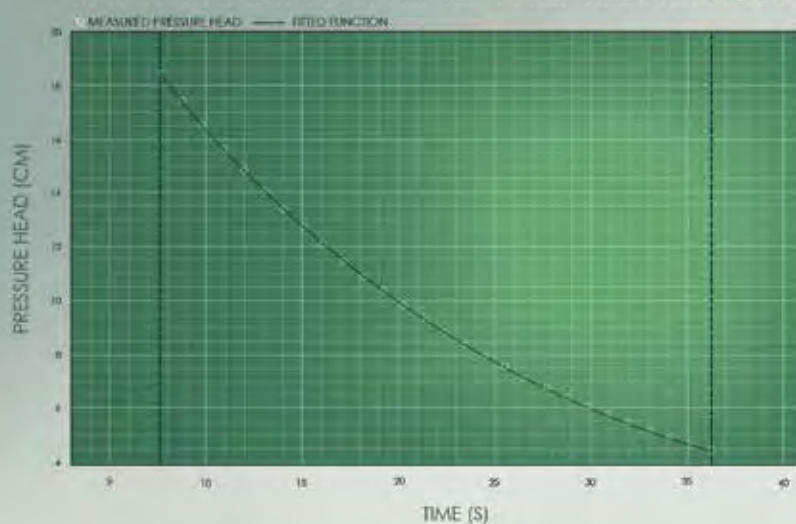
Unsaturated hydraulic conductivity is the most common flow state in soils, but it's not the most frequently measured hydraulic property.

Most models call for K<sub>Sat</sub> values instead, possibly because K<sub>Sat</sub> has traditionally been easier to measure.

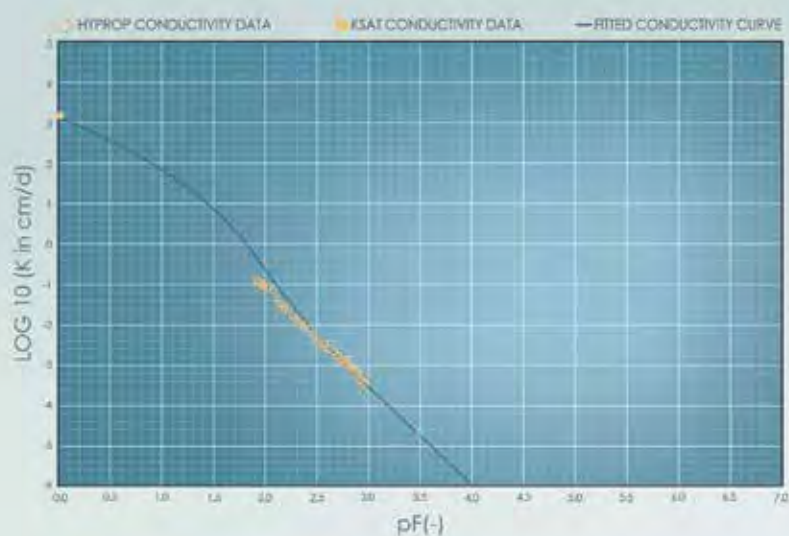
Now, the HyProp makes unsaturated hydraulic conductivity as easy to measure as K<sub>Sat</sub>.

Sample rings are interchangeable with the KSat, so the same sample can be used with each instrument.

## KSAT FALLING-HEAD MEASUREMENT



## HYDRAULIC CONDUCTIVITY K(pF)



# Smart Field Lysimeter

## Small Scale Weighing Lysimeter

The Smart Field Lysimeter is a modular weighing lysimeter that can be installed by hand. Up to four lysimeters can be operated by one control box.

### Turn-key solution

A weighing lysimeter in a box, complete with tensiometers, soil moisture sensors, data logger with GPRS modem, lightning protection, and solar panels.

### High accuracyLoad cell

Gives an accurate water balance estimate.

### Field identical soil tension

Soil tension is continuously adjusted at the lower boundary to match the native soil surrounding the lysimeter.

### Can be self-installed

An optional installation tool set specifically designed for the Smart Field Lysimeter is available.

### Affordable

Gives information on water and solute balance at a lower cost than a purpose-built, full-scale custom installation.

### Collects leachate

Leachate is collected, weighed and stored for further analysis.

### Minimizes site disturbance

The 30 cm diameter and removable collar minimize disruption of the natural environment.

## Specifications

**Lysimeter Height:** 30, 60, or 90 cm. **Lysimeter Diameter & Material:** 30 cm; Stainless Steel.

COMPLETE LIST OF SPECIFICATIONS

[www.decagon.com/lysimeter](http://www.decagon.com/lysimeter)

### Applications:

- Evapotranspiration studies
- Contaminant fate studies
- Climate change studies
- Developing crop coefficients
- Complete water balance studies



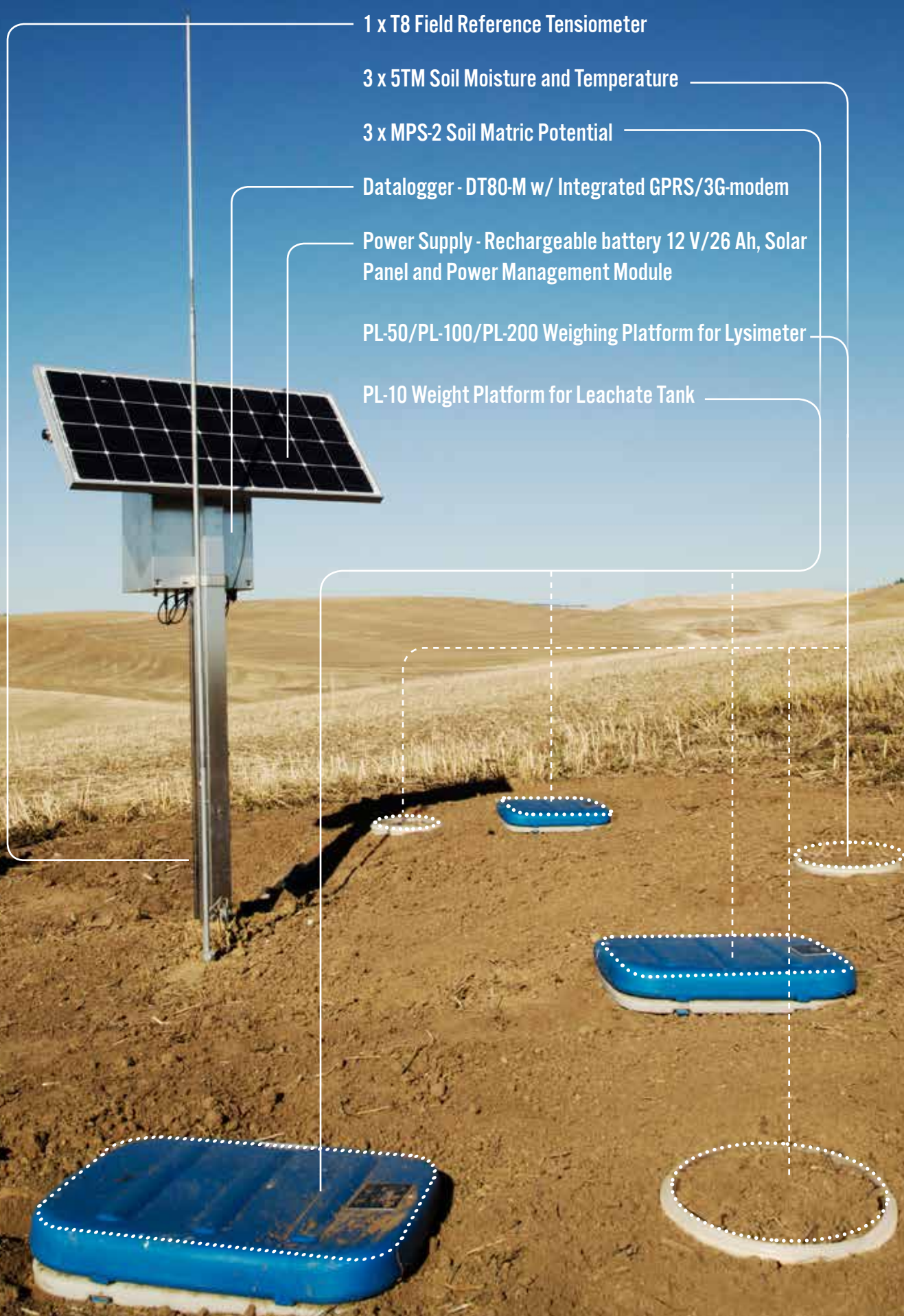
Available in 30, 60, and 90 cm lengths—with flexibility for customized layouts to suit different research needs and site limitations.



*Lysimeter Weight Platform*



## Sensors involved in setup:





G2/G3

# Drain Gauge

## Monitor Groundwater Leaching

Determine the volume of water and chemicals draining from the vadose zone into groundwater. The Drain Gauge measures drainage flux in unsaturated soils and collects soil water samples for chemical analysis.

An ingenious duct and wick design maintains a flow rate within the gauge equivalent to that in surrounding soil. A surface port allows you to draw out samples to analyze for chemicals, fertilizers, and other contaminants.



### Applications:

- Waste landfill sites  
*Advise operators when drainage is occurring and where cover systems need to be improved.*
- Maximization of food processing waste applications  
*Monitoring water drainage rates and water quality below the root zone.*
- Environmental research  
*Measuring percolation and recharge rates.*
- Farming operations  
*Measure and control irrigation during a cropping season.*
- Recreational facilities  
*Measure and control excess water and nutrient losses.*
- Nitrate leaching



G3



G2

Connect and Collect:  
Em50 Data Loggers.



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### Drain Gauge G3 Sample Capture Technology

Surface port provides easy access to drainage, temperature and EC sensor for maintenance.

### Drain Gauge G2 Flow Through Technology

Inert material construction of the tube, sensors, and collection reservoir inhibits chemical reactions.

### G2 Specifications

**Measurement surface area:** 507 cm<sup>2</sup>. **Sampling reservoir volume:** 3 L. **Accuracy:** ±10%. **Resolution:** 0.1 mm drainage. **Suction at intake:** 110 cm (11 kPa). **Total length:** 147 cm. **Divergence control tube (DCT) length:** 60 cm. **Measurement time:** 150 ms.

### G3 Specifications

**Measurement surface area:** 324 cm<sup>2</sup>. **Sampling reservoir volume:** 150 mL. **Accuracy:** ±10%. **Resolution:** 0.1 mm drainage. **Suction at intake:** 110 cm (11 kPa). **Total length:** 147 cm. **Divergence control tube (DCT) length:** 60 cm. **Measurement time:** 10 ms.



CTD

# Conductivity, Temperature, Depth

The CTD is a submersible sensor that allows you to continuously monitor groundwater and surface water level changes along with electrical conductivity and temperature.

Decagon's CTD sensor puts much of its complex circuitry in an above-ground data logger. This lowers the per-sensor cost without impacting accuracy and resolution. So instead of relying on a single measurement, you can measure in several different locations without exceeding your budget.

## Applications:

- Aquifer recharge and recovery.
- Saltwater intrusion, desalination, and wastewater.
- Wetland monitoring.
- Groundwater contamination monitoring.
- Surface water monitoring.



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Watch a video to learn more about the capabilities of the CTD sensor.

8.89 cm

3.4 cm

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## Specifications

### Water Depth

**Range:** CTD-5 (0 to 5 m), CTD-10 (0 to 10 m).

### Electrical Conductivity

**Range:** 0 to 120 dS/m (mS/cm). **Accuracy:**  $\pm 0.01$  dS/m or  $\pm 10\%$ . **Resolution:** 0.001 dS/m.

### Temperature

**Range:** -40 to +50°C. **Accuracy:**  $\pm 1^\circ\text{C}$ . **Resolution:** 0.1°C.

### Data Logger Compatibility

Em50/Em50R/Em50G. Call for compatibility of Data Loggers.

## Features

- Robust marine-grade epoxy overmold to resist corrosion in tough environments.
- Compact 3.4 cm diameter sensor body to fit into tight spaces.
- External logger with remote transmission option to deliver the data directly to your desktop.
- Permanent connection to collect data continuously without pulling up the sensor.

# Pore Water Sampler System

Pick the Vacuum System for Your Application. Then, pick the Pore Water Sampler that's right for you.



## Applications:

- Quantify the presence of nutrients heavy metals, pesticides, and other contaminants.
- Measure net mineralization rates.
- Sample for organic carbon.

Don't take a soil core every time you want data. Leave your experimental site undisturbed and take more meaningful pore water samples with UMS's pore water samplers.

## VS-Pro: Natural Sampling Suction

Precisely controlled tension means you sample what's actually in the soil water. Constant, unregulated tension preferentially samples the wet time periods, diluting your samples and giving inaccurate concentrations. UMS's unique tensiometer control matches sampler suction to the natural suction of the soil as conditions change, for the most accurate sample concentrations.

## How does it work?

A pore water system is a quick access point for extracting soil water. Rather than digging up a chunk of soil and performing an extraction every time you want a sample, you install a specially tipped tube in the soil. Soil water samples are gently extracted from soil pores using suction pressure matched to natural soil water tension. Soil water tension is measured with a tensiometer; suction is set slightly above that tension to pull a sample.

## VS/VS-Twin/VS-pro

Natural Sampling Suction

**Power supply:** 10.5 to 15 VDC. **Interface:** tensioLINK, RS485. **Memory:** 5000 readings. **Vacuum regulation range:** 0 to -85 kPa. **Dimensions:** 26 x 16 x 10 cm. **Enclosure:** Aluminum. **Operating temperature:** -10 to +45°C.

## Additional Vacuums

### VacuPorter Electric Pump

**Max. vacuum:** -85 kPa.  
**Max. pressure:** 400 kPa.  
**Capacity:** 10 liters/min.  
**Battery capacity:** Internal rechargeable battery; 7 hours of operation.  
**Case:** 30 x 25 x 13 cm.  
**Weight:** 4.8 kg.  
**Operating temperature:** -10 to +45°C.



### VPS-2 Hand-Operated Floor Pump

**Max. vacuum:** -85 kPa.  
**Capacity:** 0.41 liters per stroke.  
**Material:** Aluminum and stainless steel, steel foot.  
**Height:** 57 cm.  
**Weight:** 2.2 kg.








## PORE WATER SAMPLERS



Customized to Solute Type, UMS's patented silicone carbide tip is inert to a large range of compounds. Other tips are also available:

SIC20: Silicon Carbide <i>Widest range of compounds</i>	SK20: Aluminum Oxide Ceramic	SPE20: Polyethylene Nylon Membrane
Allows for sampling of a broad range of chemicals due to low sorption.	Suitable for determination of nitrate and common organic and inorganic substances.	Specially suitable for heavy metals, herbicides, and pesticides.
		
<b>Shaft diameter:</b> 20 mm; acrylic. <b>Shaft length:</b> 20 to 210 cm; customized to order. <b>Porous ceramic:</b> 20 mm diameter; 60 mm length. <b>Bubble point:</b> -90 kPa. <b>Suction Tube:</b> Polyethylene; 1.6 mm i.d.; 2.8 mm o.d.	<b>Shaft diameter:</b> 20 mm; acrylic. <b>Shaft length:</b> 20 to 210 cm; customized to order. <b>Porous ceramic:</b> 20 mm diameter; 60 mm length. <b>Bubble point:</b> -100 kPa. <b>Suction tube:</b> Polyethylene; 1.6 mm i.d.; 2.8 mm o.d.	<b>Shaft diameter:</b> 20 mm; acrylic. <b>Shaft length:</b> 20 to 210 cm; customized to order. <b>Porous ceramic:</b> 20 mm diameter; 60 mm length. <b>Bubble point:</b> -100 kPa; but the PE cover allows water flow only up to -20 kPa. <b>Suction tube:</b> Polyethylene; 1.6 mm i.d.; 2.8 mm o.d.

# Soil-Plant-Atmosphere Systems



## Soil Moisture Sensors

Decagon's award-winning soil moisture sensors provide research-grade volumetric water content data at a price that lets you completely characterize your site.

Measure soils moisture, volumetric water content, temperature, dielectric permittivity, and electrical conductivity with a wide variety of accurate sensors.

Find the right sensor for your needs. Read about the complete soil moisture sensor line on page 11.

## Environmental Sensors

Decagon has a new line of canopy and atmospheric sensors, including the new Spectral Reflectance Sensors (measures NDVI and PRI) and the just-released sonic anemometer (measures wind speed and direction).

Sensors to measure solar radiation and PAR, soil temperature, precipitation amounts, and air temperature/relative humidity/vapor pressure are also available.

Other Environmental Instrumentation page 9.  
DS-2 Sonic Anemometer page 8  
Spectral Reflectance Sensor page 5.





## Data Loggers

The Em50 line of data loggers offer quick access to your data. No programming needed. You can set up the logger, plug in your sensors, and start logging data in less than 30 minutes.

Read about these pre-programmed, weatherproof loggers that run on 5 AA batteries and can send data straight to your desk on page 35.

## Data Management Software

DataTrac 3 graphs your data as it is gathered. Get near-real time reports, monitor battery life, transmission strength and sensor function, manage your wireless network, share data with colleagues, and more.

ECH20 Utility allows you to configure data and download data in a format ready for spreadsheet analysis.

Read about our basic and full featured versions on page 35.

# Em50 Series Data Loggers

Just plug in any Decagon sensor, set you sensor type and measurement intervals using drop down menus, and start logging data.



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Watch Ross, a research associate, set up an Em50G without any preparation.

- **Pre-programmed**

No user programming necessary.

- **Powered by 5 AA Batteries**

No external power source required.

- **Weatherproof**

No extra enclosure needed.

*DataStation pairs with  
Em50R Logger (Right)*







## Em50

### Applications

- Studies where data access is needed infrequently.
- Laboratory experiments.

### Em50 Storage

Logger storage (36,000 scans), local DataTrac 3 storage with every download.

## Em50R With DataStation

### Applications

- Small-scale (less than 2 km<sup>2</sup>) studies with a central data collection location.
- Studies that do not have cellular coverage.

### Em50R Storage

Logger storage (36,000 scans), DataStation storage (1MB), local DataTrac 3 storage with every download from DataStation or Direct Connect.

## Em50G

### Applications

- Large and small-scale studies where daily access to data is advantageous.
- Studies with multiple researchers requiring access to the same data sets.

### Em50G Storage

Automatic logger storage (36,000 scans), Decagon data server, local DataTrac 3 storage with every download.

## Specifications

**Data Logger:** Universal Specifications. **Channels:** 5. **Interface:** Each channel can accept all digital, analog, or pulse Decagon sensors. **Storage:** >36,000 scans, each scan includes sensor name, date, time, and sensor measurements. **Scan interval:** User configured from 1 measurement/minute to 1 measurement/day (minimum Em50G scan interval every 5 minutes). **Power:** 5 AA batteries. **Enclosure rating:** IP55, NEMA3. **Data Plan:** Each Em50G comes with a one year cellular and server data plan.

DataTrac 3

# Data Analysis Software

DataTrac 3 is a software program that collects and manages data from Em50 series data loggers. It allows you to monitor and manage transmitting loggers (Em50G, Em50R) and organize and graph data from all Em50 series loggers.

## Organize data

DataTrac 3 automatically organizes both transmitted and manually collected data points and adds them to your files chronologically.

## Organize and manage loggers

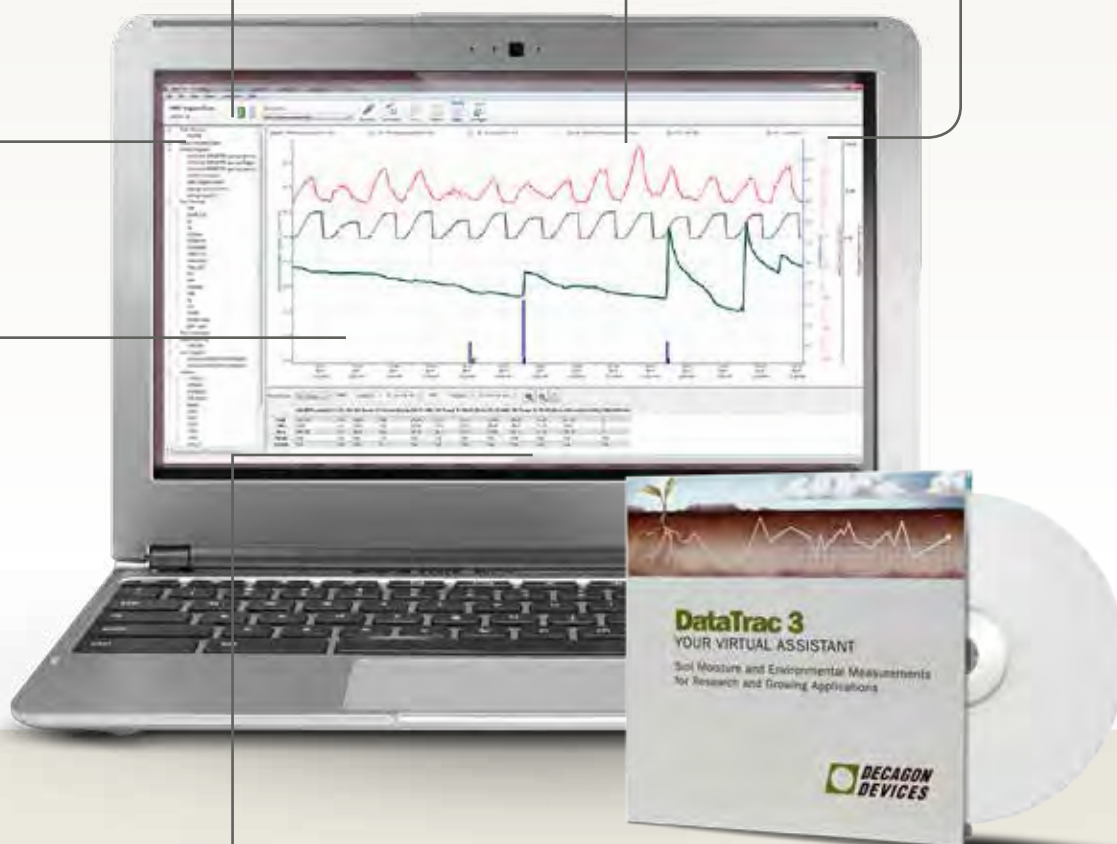
DataTrac 3 displays the status of all loggers in your network. Click on a logger to see all the data from the logger, monitor battery life, and check transmission strength.

## Annotate your data

Adding comments and reminders as things happen can help you make sense of a growing-season's worth of data later.

## See data in real time

DataTrac 3 downloads new data from wireless loggers automatically when it's running and every time it starts up.



## Explore trends

Adjust date ranges, add or subtract data from specific sensors, change target bands to illustrate and explore your data.

## Use built in models

Combined data streams and track useful calculated indicators like vapor pressure deficit, growing degree days, plant available water, pore water EC, and more.

## Collaborate with colleagues

Subscribed colleagues can view and download data for analysis without any effect on the master data file.



# Interface with Data Loggers

ECH20 Utility is a free software program that allows you to connect to and interface with the Em50, Em50R, Em50G, Em5b data loggers as well as the ProCheck.

## Battery Life

Monitor the battery life of data loggers in the field.

## Download Data

Download collected data as a spreadsheet or a DataTrac 3 file.

## Calculator

Determine how many days of storage you have based on your preferred measurement interval.



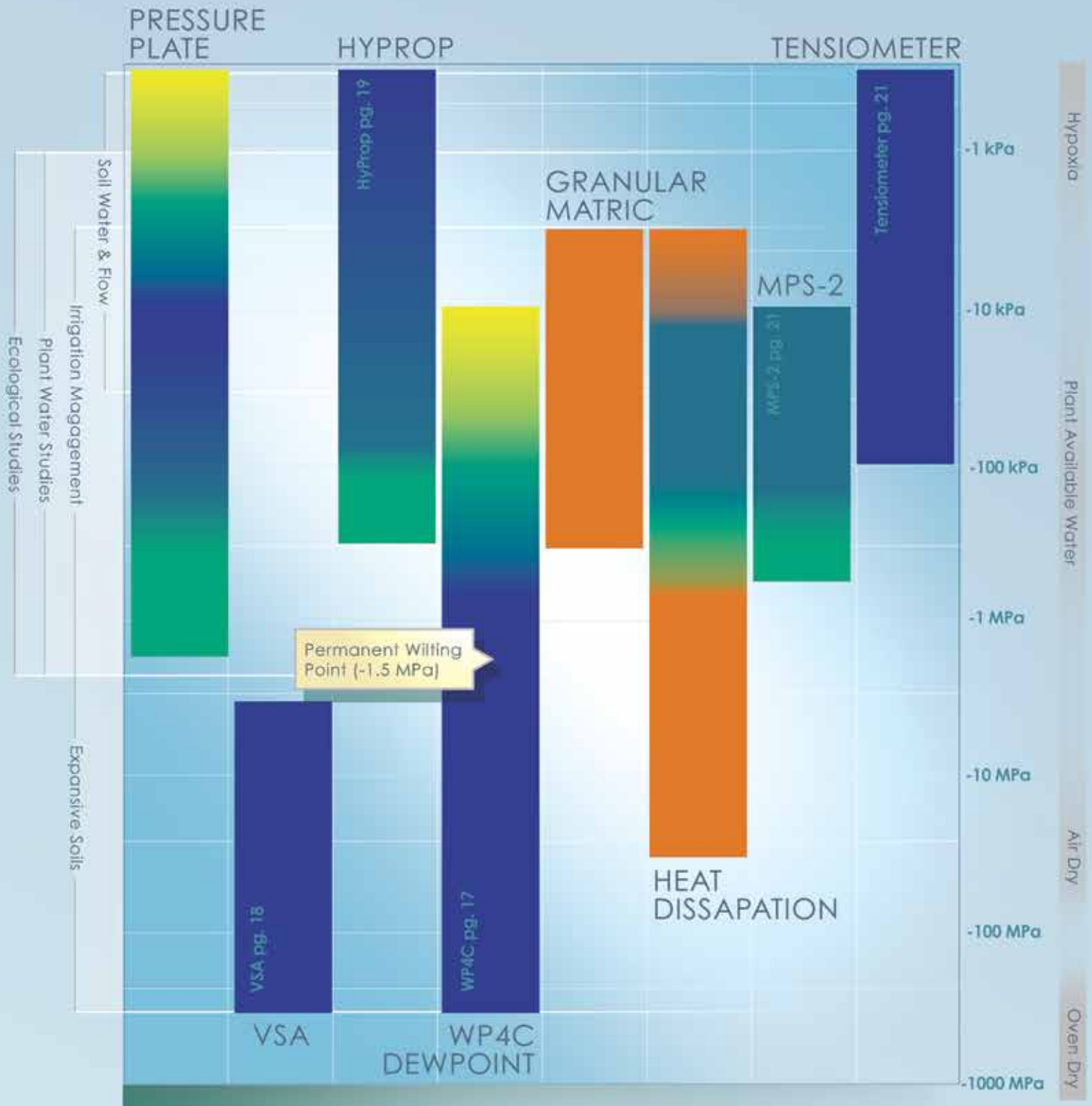
## Setup Screen

Set the date, time, and measurement intervals on a user-friendly setup screen, perform a telemetry test, and specify the sensor plugged in to each port.

# WATER POTENTIAL INSTRUMENT RANGES

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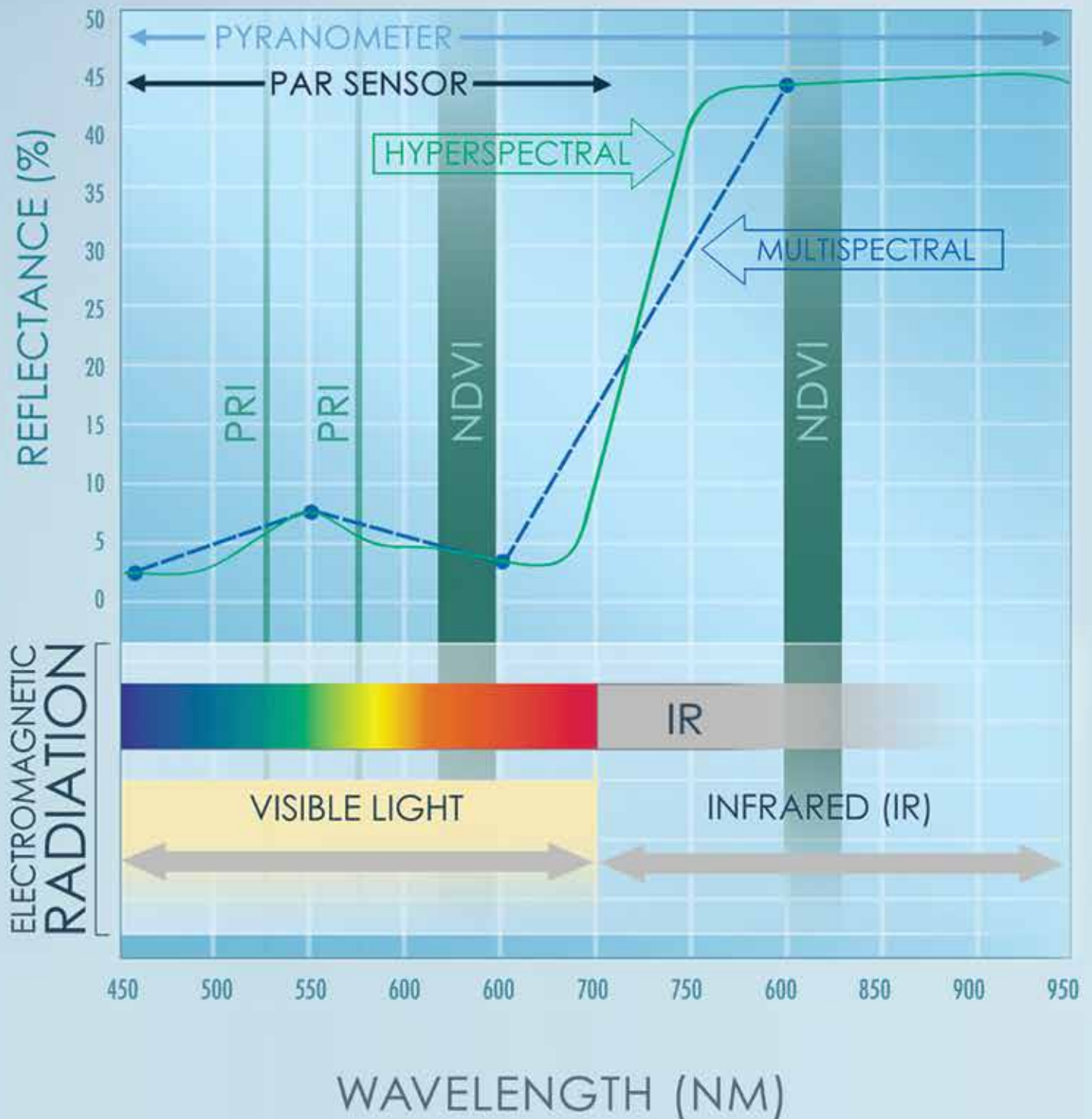
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\* Assumes equilibrium time 1-3 months



## SPECTRAL REFLECTANCE DATA



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\* R = % REFLECTANCE

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